GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Madanaplli Fire Accident incident - Sri C.Hari Prasad, R.D.O, Madanapalli - Allegations of criminal negligence, corruption in land matters and lack of integrity, complete lack of supervision on the subordinates - Placed under deemed suspension - Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No.525 **Dated:29 -07-2024.**

Preliminary enquiry Report, Dt:25.07.2024 of the Spl C.S (Lands, DM, R&S).

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ORDER:

Whereas, in the preliminary report read above, it has been revealed in the enquiry on the fire accident occurred at the O/o the Sub-Collectorate, Madanapalli, Annamayya District where the incident of fire Accident leading to burning of crucial records/files pertaining to Revenue lands department viz., dotted lands, D-Patta lands and 22A(i) de-notification has taken place and reported that the furniture, the computer systems and about 2440 files were gutted. 7 CC cameras inside and 3 outside were not working since 10th July, 2024 and Sri C.Hari Prasad, RDO did not bother to get them rectified and this was a major lacuna leading everyone to speculate about the cause of the incident.

2. It has further been reported by the Enquiry officer that he has interacted with 36 people and recorded statements of 11 persons who were most relevant to the case at hand. As per the interactions it has been reported that on the day of incident, Sri Gautam alone remained working on his computer till 10.50 pm in late hours. Sri C.Hari Prasad, R.D.O, Madanapalli asked to him do some files since he was about to get transferred. He looks after fles pertaining to sec. 22A(i), alienation, making D-Patta lands freehold, dotted lands, land ceiling and Wakf lands. Sri Gautam also stated that he had collected Rs 1.5 lakhs from one person by name Sri T.Krishnam Naidu for processing of 7 files related to 22A cases on behalf of Sri C.Hari Prasad, R.D.O and was to hand over this money to Sri C.Hari Prasad, R.D.O the next day.

3. It has been reported that in Madanpalli sub division, the total lands proposed by Tahasildars for making freehold was Ac. 79107. However, the Collector issued proceedings for Ac.74374 and rejected Ac.4732. It appears that Tahasildars have proposed huge extents of lands irregularly for making freehold. These include lands assigned after 2003, lands under dispute, court cases, lands which were alienated by the assignees before POT Act amendment, govt lands etc. hence a thorough re-verification is required for all lands made freehold. The R.D.Os of Madanapalli have forwarded lots of irregular proposals to the Collector, the extent and magnitude of which has yet to be ascertained.

4. It has further been reported that thorough investigation of the files show that in some cases, the Tahasildars reports were falsely created in the RDO office by forging the signatures of the Tahasildars and false reports submitted to the Collector u/s 22A(i). Consequently, huge chunks of lands were illegally removed from 22A register. Roughly 14000 acres of dotted lands were regularized in the division in favour of private persons. This is an abnormally high figure by any standards giving rise to suspicion that most of these lands were illegally converted.

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5. It has further been reported that lot of irregularities have taken place in processing of land related files in the office. It is very likely that many proposals were irregularly processed pertaining to dotted lands, D patta lands and 22A(i) de-notification. Preponderance of probability indicates a deliberate design to burn land related records in order to destroy evidence.

6. It has been therefore proved that Sri C.Hari Prasad, R.D.O, Madanapalli, Annamayya District is guilty of criminal negligence, corruption in land matters and lack of integrity, complete lack of supervision on the subordinates and hence the Enquiry Officer recommended that Sri C.Hari Prasad, RDO, Madanapalli shall be placed under suspension with immediate effect.

7. After careful examination of the entire matter, Govt., here by decide and order that Sri C.Hari Prasad, R.D.O, Madanapalli, Annamayya District shall be placed under suspension with immediate effect, and shall remain under suspension until further orders.

8. It is further ordered that during the period that this order remains in force, the headquarters of Sri C.Hari Prasad, R.D.O, Madanapalli (under suspension) shall be Raychoti, Annamayya district and the said Sri C.Hari Prasad, R.D.O, Madanapalli shall not leave the Headquarters without obtaining prior permission of the undersigned.

9. It is further ordered that during the period of suspension, Sri C.Hari Prasad, R.D.O, Madanapalli (u/s), Annamayya District Shall be paid subsistence allowance as per the Rules.

10. The CCLA, A.P shall take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

R.P.SISODIA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (LANDS, DM, R&S)

To
Sri C.Hari Prasad, R.D.O, Madanapalli, Annamayya District (Through the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, AP., Mangalagiri).
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P, Mangalagiri.
Copy to:
The District Collector, Annamayya District
The District Treasury officer, Annamayya District
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts.
The PS to Hon'ble Minister for Revenue, R&S.
The P.S to Spl. Chief Secretary to Govt.,(Lands, DM, R&S).
The Revenue (Services-I) Department.
The General Administration (SC-B) Department, A.P., Secretariat.
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SECTION OFFICER